

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully requested.

By the present Preliminary Amendment the specification is amended to clarify the Title, and to delete portions of the "Disclosure of the Invention" section that are believed to be unnecessary. Further, a new Abstract believed to be in more proper format under United States practice is submitted herein.

Also, by the present Preliminary Amendment claims 1-24 are canceled without prejudice and new claims 25-32 are presented for examination. New claims 25-32 are deemed to be self-evident from the original disclosure, including the original claims, and thus are not deemed to raise any issues of new matter.

The present application is believed to be in condition for a full and thorough examination on the merits. An early and favorable consideration of the present application is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

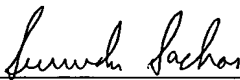
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